

OLIVET CHRISTIAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER



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From the Principal's Desk

The first verse in our last Scripture passage for the year is written as a command, which means joy is not optional for a Christian. This verse tells us to rejoice always. But how can we possibly do that?



We need to consider the source of our joy. We can often think that the level of our joy is directly related to the situation we are in. The more pleasant our circumstances, the easier it is to be joyful. The problem with that way of thinking is that we can't always choose or control our circumstances. Our health may decline; we may lose our job; a loved one may pass away. Also, there's no guarantee that a happy environment will always produce a happy heart. Someone once said that there are two sources of unhappiness in life: the first is not getting what you want, and the second is getting it.

The only reliable source of joy is Jesus Christ. The external realities of our lives will change, but the reality of having Jesus dwell in our hearts never changes.

If we stay connected to Jesus, the command to be joyful takes care of itself.

FAMILIES TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Port ~ Roberts ~ Thomas ~ Tuck

SECONDARY SPORT

Secondary students will be participating in some Tennis sessions over the next couple of weeks.

TERM 4 CAMPS - SECONDARY & YEAR 4-6

It's not long now until Secondary and Year 4-6 students will be heading off to camp at Log Cabin Camp Homestead, Creswick! The camp is being held from Monday 28 - Wednesday 30 November. Keep an eye out for the permission form, which will be coming home in the next couple of days!



PREP - GRADE 3 END OF YEAR EXCURSION

This is being held on Tuesday 29 November and we hope everyone

will have great fun at Parky's Play in Bendigo! This will be followed by lunch at the Crook Street Playground. More information to come.

TERM FOUR PLANNER *

Monday 3 October - Thursday 8
December

22 Nov	Report Writing Day - NO STUDENTS
22 Nov	Grade 6 Graduation Dinner
25 Nov	Secondary Lunch
28-30 Nov	Year 4-10 Camp
29 Nov	Prep-Grade 3 End of Term Excursion
8 Dec	Last Day of Term 4 Presentation Night commencing 6.30pm

* These activities may be subject to change.

GRADE 6 GRADUATION DINNER

We are looking forward to celebrating at our Grade 6 Graduation dinner on Tuesday 22 November. Invitations are coming home today!

SECONDARY LUNCH

We hope Secondary Students are looking forward to celebrating another great year at their Secondary Lunch on Friday 25 November. Invitations are coming home today!

Thinking of You



WITH SYMPATHY

It is with great sadness to note that one of our parents passed away early this month. John Harris was of one of our long time parents. We at Olivet have had the privilege of knowing John and his family as four of his children have attended Olivet. Our prayers and deepest sympathies go out to the Harris family at this difficult time.

Poetry Competition

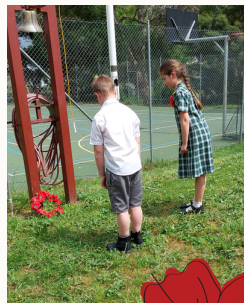
Congratulations to our Year 9 student, Adelaide Roberts, who received an Honourable Mention in the 2022 Independent Schools Victoria Student Poetry Competition! This competition, part of the Arts Learning Festival, attracted more than 500 entries. Here is an excerpt from Adelaide's poem, 'Mystery in the Flames' which was entered in the Years 9-10 written poetry category:

*The waves were crashing on the shore, the sky was black as night,
Up in the cliffs, a shadow passed by, holding a lantern light.
It moved quite swiftly, as if in a rush, it slipped along the face,
Approaching a secret cave, a quite well hidden place.
The figure glanced up at the sky, ablaze with flashing light.
He gasped as over on the hill; a fork came through the night.*

Well done on this recognition, Adelaide!

Remembrance Day

Thank you to all students who participated in Olivet's Remembrance Day service last Friday 11 November. Thank you also to Tegan and Adelaide for making ANZAC biscuits to bring along and share with everyone.



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